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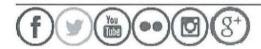
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"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

<u>Please Note:</u> I am currently on detail to the EPA Region 10 office in Portland, Oregon until July 23, 2016. Thank you!



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Hello.

I'm a resident of Portland and a member of the Audubon Society of Portland. I am deeply saddened and angered by the Portland Harbor Superfund cleanup Plan proposed by the EPA. This plan doesn't clean up our river and lets the major polluters off the hook for cleaning up the pollution that they have created which jeopardizes our wildlife, environment, and health.

- The clean up plan leaves too much of the river contaminated. The Portland Audubon experts recommend at least 1,000 acres of polluted sediment be removed from the river and I agree with this recommendation.
- The cleanup plan must result in the fish in the lower Willamette being just as safe for consumption as the fish anywhere else in the Willamette, and this outcome needs to occur in a 10-20 year span.
- Dredged toxic sediments must be taken to an appropriate landfill and not dumped in the river where it can create further pollution. This plan is neither safe nor acceptable.
- The entities liable for the pollution must be held accountable and pay for a comprehensive cleanup that will actually be effective in protecting the health of our communities, wildlife, and environment. The polluters should not be put first and be allowed to drive this plan so they can save money.

It is the EPA's responsibility to work for citizens, wildlife, and the environment - those are your constituents, per se, not big business and corporations who are threatening our health and safety. Please do your job!!

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